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April 7, 2003

Honorable James H. Welsh  
Commissioner of Conservation  
State of Louisiana  
Post Office Box 94275  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9275

Re: HEARING APPLICATION  
Smackover C Zone, Reservoir A  
East Dykesville Field  
Claiborne Parish, Louisiana  
Our File No. 420409.0005

Dear Sir:

On behalf of TENSAS DELTA EXPLORATION COMPANY, LLC, application is hereby made for a public hearing to receive evidence concerning the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating to the Smackover C Zone, Reservoir A, in the East Dykesville Field, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana:

1. To permit the following operators to drill, designate and utilize the following alternate unit wells in the units set forth hereinbelow, at the locations shown on the plat attached hereto:

St. Mary Land & Exploration Co. - SMK C RA SUE; Lewis No. 32 - 1 - Alt.

TMR Exploration, Inc. - SMK C RA SUF; Scott et al No. 1 - Alt.

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SUE, SMK C RA SUF, SMK C RA SUG, and SMK C RA SUW, respectively, which cannot be efficiently and economically drained by any existing well in such units.

3. To provide that the unit allowable for each of the above said units may be produced from either the unit well, the alternate unit well, or both, at the operator's discretion.
4. To consider such other matters as may be appropriate and justified by the evidence presented at the hearing.

The Smackover C Zone, Reservoir A, in the East Dykesville Field, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana, was fully defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 882-D, effective February 18, 1981.

The Rules of Procedure of the Commissioner of Conservation pertaining to the Pre-Application Notice requirements, are not applicable to the hearing requested herein, which requires legal notice of only ten (10) days.

Pertinent data concerning the intended application will be made available for inspection at the offices of the undersigned. Any person wishing to inspect such data should call the undersigned at (318) 221-6858 during normal business hours or write the undersigned at the above address in order to arrange a date and time for such inspection. A copy of any such pertinent data can be obtained at the expense of the requesting party.

A list of the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties (as defined in the Rules of Procedure) is attached hereto, and a copy of this notice, with the annexed plat, is being sent to each of such persons. A reasonable effort has been made to determine that the enclosed list includes all of the persons to whom this notice must be sent under the Rules of Procedure.

A check in the amount of \$3,020.00 made payable to the Commissioner of Conservation is enclosed herewith as the statutory fee for holding the requested hearing.

This application is being filed in duplicate, and a copy hereof is being sent to Mr. James C. Broussard, Shreveport District Manager of the Office of Conservation, and to each Interested Owner, Represented Party and Interested Party whose name is shown on the attached list.

